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TOPEKA, KANSAS MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO DRUG CHARGE

TOPEKA, Kan. – United States Attorney Eric Melgren announced that **Larry Lee White, Jr.,** 38, Topeka, Kansas, entered a guilty plea today before U.S. District Judge Richard D. Rogers to one count of distributing crack cocaine.

Melgren said that White admitted at his plea that on four occasions between March 23, 2003, and May 25, 2003, he sold crack cocaine in amounts varying from 10.73 grams (.38 ounce) to 20.13 grams (.71 ounce) to an individual working with the Topeka Police Department and the sales were captured on videotape.

White faces a minimum of ten years and a maximum of life in federal prison without parole. Sentencing is set for September 23, 2004, at 9:30 a.m.

Melgren commended the excellent work of the Topeka Police Department in this investigation and Assistant U.S. Attorney Greg Hough in this prosecution.